

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace the paragraph under the heading the "CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" on page 1 with the following amended paragraph:

--This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/573,663, filed May 18, 2000, and entitled "Method and Apparatus for Inhibiting a Selected IDE ~~Command.~~ Command," now U.S. Patent No. 6,629,184. U.S. Patent Application No. 09/573,663 is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety for all purposes.--